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INFO AMEMBASSY NAIROBI

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EGEN, ECOSOC

SUBJECT: FOLLOW-UP ON GA RESOLUTION RE DESERTIFICATION:  
3337 (XXIX)

REF: USUN 446

1. SUBSEQUENT TO INFORMATION PROVIDED DEPARTMENT REFTEL  
MISOFF HAS BEEN INFORMED OF FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS REGARDING  
UN DESERTIFICATION PROGRAM. THIS INFORMATION AS FOLLOWS.

2. FIRST, DURING TOLBA'S RECENT VISIT NEW YORK APPOINTMENT  
OF TOWNLEY TO HEAD DESERTIFICATION PROGRAM ENDORSED BY UNEP.  
TOWNLEY TO GO TO NAIROBI FOR A PERIOD OF SIX WEEKS TO SIX MONTHS  
IN ORDER TO TAKE CHARGE DESERTIFICATION PROGRAM, DUE TO LEAVE  
NYC SOMETIME WEEK OF FEBRUARY 16. SECOND, IN ADDITION TO  
DESERTIFICATION PROGRAM TOWNLEY TO "TAKE CHARGE OF"  
DESERTIFICATION CONFERENCE, WITH TOLBA FOR THE PRESENT ASSUMING  
DE FACTO ROLE AS SYG OF THE CONFERENCE. THIRD, DURING CON-  
VERSATION BETWEEN TOLBA AND TOWNLEY IT WAS AGREED THAT  
DESERTIFICATION PROGRAM WOULD IN ADDITION TO PROGRAM COMPONENT  
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SUMMARIZED REFTEL HAVE A PROJECT COMPONENT, THUS MARRYING

PROGRAM AND PROJECT ELEMENTS CONTRARY TO TOWNLEY'S ORIGINAL CONCEPTION REPORTED REFTEL. UNCLEAR AS TO EXTENT OF PROJECT COMPONENT, HOWEVER, AT THIS TIME. FOURTH, TOWNLEY AND TOLBA, EVIDENTLY WITH THE CONCURRENCE OF NARASINHAN, AGREED TO SCRAP PRESENT AGENDA FOR ROME MEETING REPORTED REFTEL AND WILL PREPARE NEW AGENDA COMPRISED OF THOSE THREE ELEMENTS IN TOWNLEY'S ORIGINAL CONCEPT. FIFTH, RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN TOWNLEY AND UNEP OFFICE NOW CONCERNED WITH DESERTIFICATION IS UNCLEAR BUT IS SUPPOSED TO BE "WORKED OUT" BY TOLBA. LASTLY, FOLLOWING THE ROME MEETING TOWNLEY WILL DEVELOP A BUDGET FOR SUBMISSION TO UNEP GC-III.

3. TOWNLEY HAS REQUESTED THAT US EMBASSY NAIROBI BE INFORMED OF HIS ARRIVAL.  
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